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1. THUS FAR NEITHER SIDE HAS GIVEN ANY GROUND WHICH WOULD
LEAD TO SETTLEMENT. RATHER THE REVERSE IS TRUE. WHILE THE
GOM IS MOVING TO RECRUIT TEMPORARY STAFF TO CONDUCT THE
ELECTION WORK (BY OPENING UP SIX RECRUITMENT CENTERS IN
THE BOMBAY CITY AND THROUGH THE DISTRICT COLLECTORS
OUTSIDE BOMBAY), THE COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF THE STRIKERS
HAS DECIDED TO INTENSIFY THE STRIKE AND OPPOSE "TOOTH AND
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NAIL" GOM'S PLANS TO RECRUIT NEW EMPLOYEES. VARIOUS PRESS
REPORTS STATE AT LEAST 235,000 EMPLOYEES WOULD BE REQUIRED
(25,000 IN BOMBAY ALONE) TO CONDUCT THE STATE ELECTIONS
AT 40,000 POLLING SITES WHICH GOM ESTIMATES WOULD COST
OVER RS. 120 MILLION IN SHORT TERM WAGES.

2. TO PROTEST FURTHER THE GOVERNMENT'S MOVE TO RECRUIT

TEMPORARY HANDS, STRIKERS HAVE PLANNED MASSIVE DEMONSTRATIONS AND HUNGER STRIKES. APPROXIMATELY 35,000 EMPLOYEES IN BOMBAY WENT ON A DAY'S HUNGER STRIKE TODAY.

3. ACCORDING TO STRIKE LEADER KARNIK, OVER 600 SENIOR OFFICERS (WHO HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE STRIKE THUS FAR) ARE EXPECTED TO JOIN STRIKE IN A DAY OR TWO.
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